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PETITION FOR CORRECTION OF INVENTORSHIP OF AN APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.48(b)

This is a Petition for Correction of Inventorship under 37 CFR 1.48(b) in the above patent application. It is respectfully requested that the United States Patent and Trademark Office amend the application to delete James E. Chitwood as an inventor, as James E. Chitwood is not an actual inventor of the invention being claimed in the above application. The contribution of James E. Chitwood to the parent application has been deleted from the claims of the above continuation application. Please charge the fee of $130.00 for this petition to Deposit Account No. 20-0782/WEAT/0525/WBP and any other fees required to make this Petition timely and acceptable to the Office.

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